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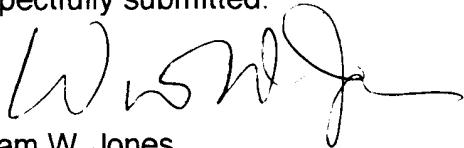
Please file the accompanying continuing patent application under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.53 (d) (1). This application is a continuation of co-pending parent patent application USSN 09/470,483.

Copies of the parent patent application specification, the abstract, the claims, the drawings, and the declaration and power of attorney as originally filed are enclosed.

Please enter the accompanying preliminary amendment and the accompanying pages in the continuing application.

Please charge the filing fee of \$1,170.00 to Special Account No. 50-1307, Order No. C-2373 C1. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted.


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